thence up the lane between the lands of James A. Beyette and D. C. Middleton to the old gate on the Hinton Bayett place; thence a straight line to the intersection of the Faison and Keanonsville and Williams public roads: thence up said road north to R. J. Williams' gate; thence up the Bowden's station road two miles from said gate, to a stake; thence a straight line to the beginning,—on the first Monday in May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, under such rules and regulations as said board may prescribe, whether an annual tax shall be levied therein for the support of a graded public school for the white and colored children in said district. Each voter shall vote a printed or written ballot with the words "for school" or "no school", and said election shall be conducted under the same rules, regulations, and penalties as are now or may be prescribed by law for the election of members of the general assembly.

Annual tax.

Ballots.

If tax voted, how collected, &c.

SEC. 2. That in case a majority of the qualified voters of the said district shall vote in favor of said school and tax, the said tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as provided by law for levying and collecting state and county taxes, and the sheriff or tax collector of Duplin county shall collect and pay over the same to the treasurer of the board of trustees, by the first day of January of each year succeeding the levy, under the same liabilities and penalties as are now or may be provided by law for the collection and paying over of the general public school taxes: *Provided*, that the special tax so levied and collected shall not exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars' worth of real and personal property, and other property taxed by the laws of North Carolina, and one dollar and fifty cents on each poll.

Limit of tax.

Disposition of

SEC. 3. That the special taxes thus levied and collected shall be expended in keeping up separate graded schools for the white and colored children in said district, between the ages of six and twenty-one years, and the schools for each race, herein provided for, shall have the same length of school term.

Board of trustees, names of. SEC. 4. That the following persons shall constitute the board of trustees for said graded schools, and shall hold office for the term following their names: Thomas B. Price, S. M. Carlton, H. S. Bayette, for the term of two years from the date of election; Dr. Lafayette Hussey, James F. Woodward and L. R. Carrell, for the term of four years from the date of election; W. L. Hill, T. M. Moore and H. L. Stephens, for the term of six years from the date of election; and all vacancies occurring in said boards of trustees, from any cause, shall be filled by said board of trustees for the term of six years, except in case of death or